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Application of: Jerome B. Zeldis

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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR THE
PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF
ATHEROSCLEROSIS, RESTINOSIS AND RELATED
DISORDERS

Attorney Docket No.: 9516-018

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.142

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This responds to the Office Action, mailed March 12, 2002. Claims 1-42 are pending in the subject application.

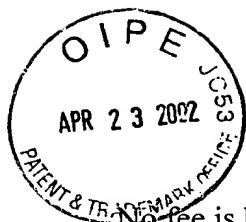
A Restriction Requirement has been entered for the present application. The Restriction Requirement identifies three claim groups:

Group I which contains claims 1-31, drawn to a methods of preventing or treating atherosclerosis, classified in class 514;

Group II which contains claims 32-38, drawn to a prosthetic device suitable for implantation, classified in class 424 ; and

Group III which contains claims 39-42, drawn to a method for the production of a prosthetic device, classified in class 623.

Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-31, drawn to a methods of preventing or treating atherosclerosis, classified in class 514, to prosecute in the present application without prejudice. Furthermore, Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the non-elected subject matter in one or more subsequent divisional or continuing application(s).



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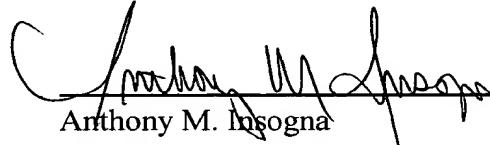
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